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THE SONG OF THE SPIRIT OVER THE WATERS

FROM THE GERMAN OF GOETHE

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Hear the man
Is like the water
From heaven it cometh
To Heaven returneth—
Ever and forever changing

From lofty rocky walls,
Swift leaps the glowing flood,
Then in the valley spreads it gently
Over the rocks in lovely billows—
Billows ever kindly welcomed—
Yields its murmur as it wanders
Downward to the waiting deep

Cliff projecting
Oft opposes it,
Angry foaming
Downward moves it
Step by step

Now its smooth mirror clasps
Through a flowery meadow
Hill and lake reflects
Gazes into the azure distance

Wind blows lovely,
Wooes the wavelets
Wind together lifteth
The all foaming billows

Son of man
How like the wind
Fickle man
How like the wind

A GOOD TEMPERANCE TALE.—From Ohio comes a capital temperance story. Judge Quincy, the important witness in one of his efforts to get off the hell-fire—

"Did he see him in youth acquire a habit of drinking, which, at forty years, will be found almost insurmountable? Not one cause which by fifty years in mid-ocean. If there is a person who has influence before me who experience dispels this, let him make it known. I will wait for it, or acknowledge that I am mistaken."

Well, large manners, one folding his arms in a certain manner across his breast, said:

"I offer myself as one whose own experience contradicts your statement."

"Are you a moderate drinker?" asked the Judge.

"I am."

"How long have you drunk in moderation?"

"Forty years."

"And you were never intoxicated?"

"Never."

Well, remarked the Judge scanning his subject closely from head to foot, yours is a singular case yet I think it is easily accounted for. I am minus a big eye, a little toe, a portion of my left ear, and a flask of whisky will down to dim by the bank of a canal. In fact, I am the proud scene of the whole drinker into the water. He was lovingly sized for food by the fish. That evening he suggested to the donkey that a drop of the hundred-year whiskey and food would be good. He tried it, worked well. Some of the fish also became drunk, and he helped lessen the water. By this stroke of strategy he got a good number. But in the morning the fishes were in like the rest. He took the final out of whiskey, but with no proper effect. He was shy of every effort of the kind. He resolved to have it at all hands that he might learn to swim and return. He procured one, and after much effort got it round to be a regular tipple, and resolved his opinion of the matter. The other saw the wonderful amendment, and thought, in the Lord's time, that when on a cloudy day I was in deep snow, skating, I, minus toes, in the freezing weather of a Northern Winter.

VICTIMS OF DEATH.—He felt within, such fervor that he felt he could not resist. He felt that he was in the hopeless case, yet he was contrite refused. He was asked if he had a last time with the same. He said he had, he rode over one evening, and the death would meet him on the road. He said he would consent to become his bride. She invited him in to dinner, he shook hands and left. She followed him, he looked, looked, looked. He she requested him to take up a cup, and gave shake of the head was the only reply. She played, sang and chatted on till 1 time, when a servant showed him a room. Long she sat. She trippe away to her chamber, he sat determinedly still. About 1 o'clock she came back and said: "I don't wish to cause the death of a good officer so will me away you." He released one rose and with a sorrowful sigh said: "My dear lady have you any old wounds on hand?"

ANTI-HOLIDAY SUFFERING.—At the recent audit of a Baptist church in this county the convenient scheme was planned to the first man in that church, a well known Baptist minister of the city. When he had entered water and with water for the candidate, a minister stepped and somebody should [illegible] an appropriate hymn. On of the deacons of best and nearly fell the suggestion, which the church thinks struck to the mark home, Father Shore. The hymn proved [illegible] suggestive. It is said that neither [illegible] the congregation could refrain from a smile for some time, and the ceremony had to be postponed until the preacher could recover his gravity.—*Rochester Express.*

THE DAILY TRIBUNE.—On the Market square a few days since, a young girl gave away her baby to Mrs. Cody, of Lillington. After the parents had parted with her child she continued to follow Mrs. Cody through the streets the anxious of her mother's heart going out toward the little one, and the struggle between necessity and a mother's love was intense and agonizing. At last she seemed to be designed and apparently parted finally with her child. Next day however she made her way to the residence of Mrs. Cody and taking a favorable opportunity, she seized the child and fled.—*Guelph Lion Herald.*

There is a tin pan in Memphis whose name is Necessity, and who knows no law. Every night he enters and plunders a handsome residence. The afternoon he writes a pleasant letter to the head of the family whose treasures he has stolen, stating that he will be very glad to restore them if a suitable reward is offered. He writes a nice hand, uses good paper, never misspells a word and conceals his person effectually under the signature of "Necessity." So cleverly are the robberies planned that the police from the chief down to the youngest detective are baffled.

NOT EXACTLY THE THING.—A gentleman traveling through one of the most picturesque portions of the White Mountains region saw a farmer at work and, being of a sociable disposition, approached the man and expatiated on the beauty and majesty of the surrounding scenery, concluding with the remark, "I suppose, my friend, you enjoy this glorious view that people come so far to look at?" "Why, yes," was the response, "but if I'd had the sortin' of these hills, I'd made 'em a little peakeder."—*Boston Traveller.*

A NIGHT ADVENTURE.

I will tell you about an affair—important as it proved to me, but you must not hurry me. I have never been in a hurry since then and never will. Up till that time indeed I was always in a hurry, my actions always preceded my thoughts—experience was of no use, and it probably would have supposed me destined to carry my head upon old shoulders to the grave. However I was brought up at first with tender care. I was allowed a certain space for reflection and plenty of materials and it did not do me good in the end.

My father and mother both died when I was still a great awkward boy, and I, being the only child, they had to begin life, because the property of a distant relation. I do not know how it happened but I had no near relations. I was a kind of waif upon the world from the beginning, and I suppose it was owing to my having no family anchor that I acquired the habit of staying to and fro and drifting hither and thither at the pleasure of wind and tide. Not that my guardian was inattentive or unkind—quite the reverse, but he was indolent and careless, contenting himself with providing abundantly for my schooling and my pocket, and leaving everything else to chance. He would have done the same thing to his own son, if he had had one, and he did the same thing to his own daughter. But girls somehow cling whenever they are cast—anything is an anchor age for them, and as Laura grew up she gave the care she had never found, and was the little mother of the whole house. As for the little mother herself, she had not an atom of character of any kind. She might have been a picture, or a vase, or anything else that is useless except to the taste or the affections, but mamma was indispensable. It is a vulgar error to suppose that people who have nothing in them are nobody in a house.

It is no wonder that I was always in a hurry for I was have but an instinct of that I had my foot at to look for. The governor had nothing in or there expected independence and this would be a good idea I fancied after his death by the lapse of an infinity. But sister Laura was thus provided for well enough, while I had not a shilling in actual money, although plenty of hypothetic thousands and sanguine costs. It was the consciousness of the latter kind of property in doubt that gave me so free and easy in my, and made me so completely the master of my own actions. How I did worry that blessed old woman! how I annoyed and scolded how the governor stormed and how I was forgiven the next minute, and we were all as happy again as the day was long! But at length the time came to pass. I had grown out of bulk into a fellow strong enough to make my bread in a port that I had been needed, and so I started. He was bundled me in a stagging house at Lancaster and the electric and the city early from sister Laura, blessing and kisses from mamma, I expected sobbed even by a hurricane laughed in the governor, I went adrift.

Years passed rapidly away. I had at times my full height and more than my just share of knocks. I already envied the men of wheel skates and leather in made some progress in the cultivation of a pair of mustaches when suddenly the house which I was connected with failed. What to do? The governor insisted upon my return to England where his interest among the mercantile class was considerable. I am limited mysteriously that my presence in the house would soon be a matter of great importance to her father and mamma left on the secret by writing to me that Laura was going to "change her condition." I was glad to hear this for I knew he would be a model of a fellow who was Laura's husband and calpin down my pride which would have persuaded him that it was an manly to go back again like the Prodigal Son. I sent on my return home.

The news I knew had moved to another house, but, being well connected with the town I had no difficulty in finding the place. It was an old of handsome building, which had sprung up the fashionable suburbs during my absence, and although it was far on in the evening, my accustomed eyes soon descried the mark of the owner sold fishing and dropping. I was just about to knock when a temptation came into my way. One of the drawing windows was open and in its floor my reception. Aquaintance of little by upon a table close by. Why should I not enter and open a man in the drawing room, I said and put on the devil's advice? Why should I not pass in the precise and careful Laura with a handful of crown spoons and forks left so conveniently at the service? Why not sneak who might have to pass by. Why? That is only the one of speech. I asked no questions about the matter, the deed was hardly well across my brain when my legs were across the sills. In another moment I had crept in by the window, and stuck on at my own cleverness and the great moral lesson I was about to teach. I was stuffing my pockets with the plate.

While the sneaking of the opening of a door in the hall above alarmed me, and afraid of the future exposure, I slipped lightly by the stair which was partially hidden by the hall lamp. As I was about to emerge I the top a servant and was coming out of a room on the opposite side. She instantly pretended shut the door with him, and I could hear half suppressed by laughter. I hoped on, sprang up the drawing room stairs and entered the first door I came to. All was dark, and I stopped for a moment to listen. Lights were hurrying across the hall, and I heard the rough voice of a man as if scolding and taunting some person. The man had been less given to drink, although her intention to must have been very middling, for I was close behind me I was in the shadow of the stairs and she could have had little more than a vague impression that she had a human figure. However she may be, the man's voice appeared to scend the stair of the area room, and presently I heard a crashing noise, as if he was counting the plate but rather throwing it aside en masse. Then I heard the window closed the shutters bolt, and an alarm bell hung upon it and the man ascended the stair half sobbing half laughing at the girl's superstition. He took care, not without malice, to examine the fastenings of the street door and even to lock and put the key in his pocket. He then returned into a room and all was silence.

I began to feel decidedly queer. The governor seemed to make servants and I know of, and had no home. It was impossible he could have introduced the change into his house [illegible] my being informed of it by sister Laura, whose letters were an exception to all else that, down to the health of the cat. This was puzzling. And now that I had time to think, the house was much too large for a family requiring only three sleeping rooms even when I was at home. It was what is called a double house, with rooms on both sides of the hall, and the apartment on the side of which I was still lingering appeared from the dim light of the windows, to be of very considerable size. I now recollected that the quantity of plate I had seen—a portion of which at this moment in my pocket—must have been three times greater than my the governor ever possessed, and that various pieces were of a size and massiveness I had never before seen in the establishment. In an hesitation, I myself that I had seen and recognized the well known door plate and that the man whom I had entered was immediately under, in an inquired that since Laura was about to be married the extra quantity of plate might be intended to form a part of her trousseau. I could not convince myself. But this course of my thoughts suggested an idea, and palming hastily from my pocket a tablespoon I felt, for I could not see, the legend which contained my fate. But my fingers were tremulous, they seemed to have lost sensation—only I fancied I did feel something more that the governor's plum mamma's. There was still a light in the hall. If I could but bring that spoon within its illumination! All was silent, and I ventured to descend step after step—not as I had bounded up, but with the stealthy pace of a thief and the plate growing heavier and heavier in my pocket. At length I was near enough to see, in spite of a dimness that had gathered over my eyes, and, with a sensation of absolute faintness, I beheld upon the spoon an engraved crest—the red right hand of a baronet!

I crept back again, holding by the banisters, fancying every now and then that I heard a door open behind me, and yet my feet no more consented to quicken their motion than if I had been pursued by a murderer in the nightmare. I at length got into a room, groped for a chair, and sat down. No more hurry now. Oh, no! There was plenty of time, and plenty to do in it, for I had to wipe away the perspiration that ran down my face in streams. What was to be done? What had I done? Oh, a trifle, a mere trifle. I had only sneaked into a gentleman's house by the area-window, and pocketed his tablespoons; and here I was, locked and barred and bolted in sitting very comfortably, in the dark and alone in his drawing room. Very particularly comfortable. What a capital fellow to be sure! What an amusing personage! Wouldn't the baronet laugh in the morning? Wouldn't he ask me to stay to breakfast? And wouldn't I eat heartily out of the spoons I had stolen? But what name is that? Who calls me a housebreaker? Who gives me in charge? Who lugs me off by the neck? I will not stand it. I am innocent except of trespassing into a baronet's house. I am a gentleman, with another gentleman's spoons in my pocket. I claim the protection of the law. Police! police!

My brain was wandering. I pressed my hand upon my wet forehead to keep down the thoughts coming fitfully and determined, for the first time in my life, to hold a deliberate consultation with myself. I was in an awkward predicament—it was impossible to deny the fact, but was there anything really serious in the case? I had unquestionably descended into the wrong area, the right hand one instead of the left hand one, but was I not unquestionably the relation—the distant relation—of the next door neighbor? I had been four years absent from his house and was there anything more natural than that I should desire to pay my next visit through a subterranean window? I had appropriated, it is true a quantity of silver plate I had found, but with what other intention could I have done this than to present it to my distant relation's daughter, to reproach her with her careless in leaving it next door? Finally, I was stunned, caged trapped—door and window had been bolted upon me without any remonstrance on my part—and I was now some constitutable time in the house unsuspected, yet a prisoner. The position was suspicious, but come, I suppose the worst, that I was actually laid hold of as a malefactor and committed to give an account of myself, well, I was, as aforesaid, a distant relation of the individual next door. I belonged to nobody in the world, not to him. I bore but an indifferent reputation in regard to steadiness and after four years absence in a foreign country I had returned—all, I promised, my idleness—just in time to find an area window open in the dusk of the evening and a heap of plate lying behind it, within view of the street.

This self examination was not encouraging, the case was decidedly queer, and as I sat thus pondering in the dark, with the spoon in my hand I am quite sure that no malefactor in a dungeon could have envied my reflections. In fact the evidence was so decided against me that I began to doubt my own innocence. What was I? Jem for if my intentions were really honest? and how came it that all this silver plate had found its way into my pockets? I was in some considerable degree of perplexity as to whether I was not still in the land of dreams?

"Madam," said I, "if you are a vision, it is of no consequence, but if not, I wish particularly to get out."

"Offer no injury," she replied, in a tremulous voice, "and no one will molest you. Take what you have come for, and begone."

"That is sooner said than done. The doors and windows below are locked and bolted, and beneath these of this room the area is deep and the spikes sharp, I assure you! I have been in very considerable perplexity the whole of last night," and drawing a chair I sat down in front of her. Whether it was owing to this action or to my complaining voice, or to the mere fact of her finding herself in a quiet tete a tete with a housebreaker, I can't tell, but the lady broke out in a low hysterical laugh.

"How did you break in?" said she.

"I did not break, it is far from my character, I assure you. But the area window was open, and so I just thought I would come in."

"You were attracted by the plate! Take it for heaven's sake, desperate man, and go away!"

"I did take some of it, but with no evil intentions—only by way of amusement. Here it is," and going to the sofa, I drew off the cover and showed her the plate.

"You have been generous," said she, her voice again trembling, for the whole must have been in your power. I will let you out so softly that no one will know. Put up in your pockets what you have risked so much to possess and follow me."

"I will follow you with pleasure, said I, "over the world over," for the increasing light showed me as lovely a creature as the morning sun ever shone upon, "but as for the silver, you must excuse me there, I never stole anything before, and, please heaven, I never will again."

"Surely you are the most extraordinary person, said the young lady, suddenly, for the light seemed to bring a revelation to her like wise, "you neither look nor talk like a robber."

"Not am I. I am not even a robber—I am nothing, and have not property in the world to the value of these articles of plate.

"Then if you are not a robber, why are you here? Why creep in at the area window, appropriate other people's spoons and get locked up all night in their house?

"For no other reason than that I was in a hurry. I had come home from Barcelona, and was going to my guardian's next door, when your unfortunate area window caught my eye, with the plate on the table inside. In an instant I was over the rails and in through the window like a harlequin, with the intention of giving the family a pleasing surprise and my old uncle's sister Laura, a great moral lesson on the impropriety of her having left plate about in so careless a manner."

"Then you are Gerald, my dear Laura's cousin so long and by expected, so beloved by them all?" Here the young lady blushed and cast down her eyes. What these two girls could have been saying to each other about me I never found out but there was a secret, I will go to death upon it.

She let me out so quietly that neither her father nor the servants ever knew a syllable about the matter. I need not say how I was received next door. The governor swept down another sob with another kiss, and another kiss, and I am was so rejoiced that she gave me another fortnight's cry and forgot to give me another lecture. My next three years were spent to more purpose than the first. Being less in a hurry I took time to build up a flourishing business in partnership with Laura's husband. As for the baronet's daughter—for we must get everybody into the concluding tableau—why, the school, that lady cutting bread and butter for the children with as unbroken an as Miss Charlotte. She is my wife, and we laughed to this day at the oddity of that first interview which led to so happy a denouement.

VICTOR HUGO

How he Treated a Young Author.

The London *Truth* is responsible for the following which we think has not been published before. Victor Dupont the *papa de Jean*, who has arrived in Paris, and went to call on M. Victor Hugo. At that time the author of the "History of a Crime" was a Royalist, and I as Count Victor Hugo, peer of France, was not easily access like to a young man, rich only in his parents and wise dress but I shall by appearance.

The footman received Poot Dupont gruffly and told him his master was not at home.

Dupont then wrote those lines upon his card asked the footman to give them to M. Hugo, and slowly walked away.

Si tu voyais une moisson
Tant jaunissante pour se mourir
Si tu voyais comme une moisson
Tu ne voyais de ses pour fleurir
Si tu voyais une biron tête
Cherchant l'hiver le supplicier
A la porte l'attendre tête
Demander place en son foyer
Humiliante mais retraite
Tu moissonnes ... pauvre
Tu ne voyais ... Poète!
Ou l'humble fleur ... l'humble oiseau!

Hardly had the poor fellow gone any distance when the footman ran after him down the street and humbly asked him to return. "The Count wished to see him."

DRESSING FOR DINNER.—In England all persons who regard themselves as in any way allied to the upper ten thousand dress for dinner, and, even if they dine early, they do not feel comfortable unless they have gone through this form. This habit is essentially English, for it exists in no other part of the civilized world. Elsewhere, people dress for dinner, but not for a dinner. In Paris, if a lady has been to a dinner party or if she is going later in the evening to a party she is "dressed" when she appears at a theatre and the same rule holds good with men. But otherwise neither ladies nor gentlemen use dress in evening attire when they visit a theatre. Before going they usually make up a party to dine at some neighboring restaurant, and, from the restaurant they adjourn to the theatre. In Germany, ladies and gentlemen "dress" even less than in France. Dinner is usually at five o'clock, and the theatre is over at nine o'clock. In Italy, there is more dressing than in Germany, for the opera replaces the theatre, and after the opera most ladies go to what they term a *serata sera*—that is to say, a late reception. But neither Italian nor other Italian women ever think of dressing to dine at home *en famille*.

The way to glory is through the palace, to fortune through the mart, to virtue through the desert.

If the heart does not go with the head, the best thoughts have only the light. This is why science is so little persuasive and probity so eloquent.

The rich find relations in the most remote foreign countries, the poor not even in the bosom of their own families.

Virtue does not give talents but it supplies their place. Talents neither give virtue nor supply the place of it.

The prison is shut night and day yet it is always full, the temples are always open, and yet you find no one in them.

Whoever makes a great fuss about doing good does very little. He who wishes to be seen and noticed when he is doing good will not do it long, he mingles humor and caprice with it will do it badly, he who only thinks of avoiding faults and reproach will never acquire virtues.

Davis Boston dames are very mad because women were not invited to the Whittier dinner, and Colonel Higginson deprecatingly writes to *The Woman's Journal* that he didn't know whether ladies were to be present or absent until he entered the room. But the clever Colonel does not say that he would have stayed away to avenge the omission if he had known that ladies were invited.

Not long back an Irishman was summoned before a bench of country magistrates for being drunk and disorderly. "Do you know what brought you here?" asked the chairman. "Faix your honor, two policemen," replied the prisoner. "Had not drink something to do with it?" said the J. P., frowning. "Sortainly," answered Paddy unabashed, "they were both drunk."

The museum of Yale College has received from the Rocky Mountains, the nearly complete skeleton of a gigantic reptile. It is thirty feet long, and was found firmly embedded in rock. Prof. Marsh says that it was probably an aquatic animal, and of an order heretofore unknown to scientific men.

Mrs. Hayes, like Mr. Randall, gets approval from the Temperance advocates. She had no wine on her table at her silver-wedding dinner and the wife of the Secretary of War gave her New Year's callers only chocolate and coffee.

THE CAREER OF VICTOR EMANUEL.

The prophet would have been laughed at who should have said a month ago that the King of Italy and not the Pope of Rome it was who was destined first to be laid in the grave. Yet his prediction would have been verified, for the Gallant King, son of Charles Albert, who took his bitter crown on the night of Novara and lived to rule in the city of the Cesars, is dead. Twenty three years ago the hand of Heaven seemed to be laid heavily upon him, and his mother, wife, brother and child were swept away in swift succession, while his own life was menaced. Now he dies but a few days after his second wife—for his wife the Countess Mirafiori undoubtedly was—and only a few hours after one of his trustiest servants in peace and war, La Marmora, to whose shade he might have said

"I try, my cousin Suffolk,
My soul shall thine keep company to heaven,
Tarry sweet soul, for mine then fly abreast
As glorious and well fought field,
Kept together in our chivalry."

Among his crowned contemporaries of Europe there was no sovereign more prominent, for certain special reasons, than the late King of Italy. About him clustered associations connected with one of the most interesting epochs in the annals of nations, that of the gathering together under one flag and one government of the Italian people, who for centuries before had been divided up among a dozen petty rulers. The King, therefore, under whom and in no small measure through whom Italian unity was secured, welding into a homogeneous whole the 25,000,000 of people who compose that nationality, achieved a work both rare and imposing that must attach to his figure in history in unusual stateliness.

THE DEAD KING'S MARTIAL ANCESTRY.

Victor Emmanuel prided himself on his characteristics as a soldier. There was nothing of the cuirpot knight or even of the average polished civilian in his tastes and bearing. He possessed great family pride, and in his case it might well be pardoned. Descended from a line of celebrated ancestors, rulers more of power and prowess in historic fields, Victor Emmanuel was most at home at the head of his troops. Before the Crusades the counts and dukes of Savoy were famous in all the European courts of their day. During one of the crusades his ancestor Amedeus V. made a historical defense of the island of Rhodes against the Turks and a poetic and romantic interest attaches to another of that name, Amadeus IV., is the builder of the castle of Chillon.

Victor Emmanuel was the son of King Charles Albert of Sardinia and of Queen Theresa, daughter of the Grand Duke Ferdinand of Tuscany. He was born March 14, 1820. His studies included the arts both of peace and of war. In 1842, while still Duke of Savoy he was united in marriage with the Archduchess Adelaide of Austria. He took part in the campaign against Austria which followed the revolution in the Italian provinces of that empire in 1848. As commander of the brigade of Savoy he accompanied his father to the wars and in the engagement at Goito where he rendered important service. He was wounded in the thigh. On March 21 1849 the Sardinians suffered the crushing defeat of Novara. In this battle Victor Emmanuel distinguished himself by his exhibitions of personal bravery. King Charles Albert, perceiving that the day was lost exposed himself recklessly to death. His life was preserved, however and a night after the battle, is a measure of consolation of the victorious Austrians offered to serve the crown of Sardinia to his son he abdicated in favor of the latter, hoping that less severe terms of peace would be exacted of him.

ACCESSION TO THE SARDINIAN THRONE.

The late King was twenty nine years old when he succeeded to the throne. The war still went on notwithstanding the defeat at Novara. There was no element among his own people which doubted his earnestness in behalf of the unity of Italy. They argued that as the husband of an Austrian princess and a pupil of the Jesuits his sympathy would more naturally tend towards the policy of ecclesiastical Austria than to the idea of a united Italy. But in no respect did the new King conduct justify these fears. He moved at once to his oath to defend the Constitution of Sardinia granted by his father in 1848. He chose as his ministers men like Azeglio and Cavour. One of his first acts was to recognize the finances of Sardinia, he also introduced needed reforms into the army and in the system of public education, and made several advantageous treaties of commerce with England.

A PROPOSED TREATY WITH AUSTRIA AND ITS RESULTS.

On August 6, 1849 the King signed a treaty of peace with Austria. Under the ministry of Count Cavour many advance standing to liberalism were made in the policy of Sardinia. In the endeavor to check these tendencies to liberalism Austria proposed to surrender the duchy of Parma to the crown of Sardinia if the King would repeal the Constitution. But this proffer was rejected, and the course that brought Victor Emmanuel into political and religious conflict with the Pope was pursued. Among the causes which at this period operating directly against the clergy eventually brought on the King's excommunication from the Church, were the establishment of the rights of the state as opposed to the privileges of ecclesiastics, the withdrawal from the religious houses of the task of instructing the children and the asylum accorded to political refugees from Papal territory. When the alliance of the Western powers was formed against Russia in 1855 Victor Emmanuel by the advice of his great minister, Cavour, entered it. As one of the parties to the Crimean war he sent a corps of 17,000 men to the scene of hostilities under command of General La Marmora who died a few days ago. The Sardinians distinguished themselves among the allied troops by their gallant conduct at the Tchernaya. Being in the reserves they had no other opportunity of taking an active part in operations. The great object aimed at by Cavour was accomplished, for Sardinia was admitted to the councils of Europe, and thereafter her voice became potent both abroad and at home. The sneer of Metternich that Italy was "a geographical expression" lost its point when the Sardinian plenipotentiaries signed the peace of Paris.

A SERIES OF GRAVE DOMESTIC AFFLICTIONS.

About this time a series of painful domestic calamities beset the King, but for a while his own life was in most imminent danger from sickness. His mother, his wife, his brother and his youngest child died in rapid succession. These family afflictions were availed of by the ultramontane organs of France and Italy as themes upon which to base gloomy assertions that the wrath of Heaven had fallen on the King for his behavior to the Church, but although secretly troubled in mind by these declarations of his assailants—for the King was given to superstition—he recovered from his malady and made no change in his political course but sanctioned the laws of reform against which the Pope had previously launched the curse of Rome. During the year 1855 after his restoration to health, he visited the Emperor Napoleon at Paris and Queen Victoria at London, and was received by the populations of France and England with enthusiasm. Of his English visit it is recorded that while at Windsor he broke the heart of good Mrs. Thorn, the Queen's housekeeper, by smoking in his green silk bed at night. Two years later, when the influence of the clergy was pitted against the King's reform policy in the general elections of 1857, the latter triumphed, the King was sustained and the pledge of constitutional liberty for Piedmont was ratified.

THE KING IN THE FIELD AGAIN.

Circumstances previous to the Austro Sardinian war of 1848 had tended to the establishment of intimate relations between the courts of Turin and Paris, partly because the Emperor Napoleon's ulterior projects of aggrandizement of French territory, decided him to cultivate these relations with Piedmont, and partly because of the marriage of Victor Emmanuel's daughter Clotilde to Prince Napoleon. Hence when the war of 1859 between Austria and Sardinia supervened, France made common cause with the latter and sent powerful armies to her assistance. Victor Emmanuel on the 2d of May, the day after the passage of the Ticino by the Austrians, took the field. As he had accompanied his father in the Austrian war of 1848, so, in obedience to the traditionary custom of his race, the Crown Prince, Prince Humbert—a mere youth, whom he assigned to the command of the brigade of Savoy—rode by his side. At the engagement of Palestro Victor Emmanuel received the title of "corporal" from the Third Regiment of French Zouaves, which had witnessed his courage. He rode into Milan with Napoleon after the battle of Magenta on June 4, and as each successive district, freed from the rule of Austria, was privileged to decide its future in accordance with its own inclinations, the liberated populations placed themselves under his government. The King took part in the battle of Solferino with his Piedmontese and occupied that portion of the field which gave him for antagonist the Austrian General Von Benedek. The peace of Villafranca followed. Austria defeated, retained Venetia, but her Lombardo Venetian kingdom was broken up by the loss of Lombardy, which seemed to the gradually forming kingdom of Italy. Annexation and fusion with King Victor Emmanuel's territory followed rapidly. France claimed and received Nice and Savoy as her share of the spoils in action which cost the King and his Ministers no little unpopularity, while Tuscany, Parma, Modena and the Romagnas voted for annexation to Sardinia.

PROCLAIMED KING OF ITALY.

The events of the next few months still further increased the territory of Italy. Garibaldi had taken the field against the Sicilies and the states of the Church. Victor Emmanuel at first made a show of disapproval of his measures, but when the cause of popular independence seemed about to triumph he openly aided it, and Naples and all the states of the Church, except Rome and the territory immediately surrounding it, became a part of the Sardinian monarchy. The question of conferring on Victor Emmanuel the title of King of Italy came up in the Sardinian Senate at Turin on February 26 1861, and out of the 131 votes cast in that body but two were in the negative. In the Chamber of Deputies of 204 votes given one member only voted no. This action was but a ratification of the popular feeling, for in December 1860, Victor Emmanuel had made a triumphant tour through Florence, Naples and Palermo, and had been hailed by the people everywhere as their chosen ruler.

He had been up to Palermo ten years
Till she suddenly smiled and twirled his

EMMANUEL AND GARIBALDI.

Only Venice and Rome remained outside of the limits of the new kingdom. Victor Emmanuel as a matter of necessity as well as policy, deferred to some more propitious season the accomplishment of his cherished ambition. In the case of Venice he was not prepared to risk a war with Austria and in that of Rome he was deterred by the fact that that city was under French protection. But the revolutionary party, led by Garibaldi were actuated by different motives. Selecting the weaker opposition is the object of their attacks, they invaded the territory of the Pope. Victor Emmanuel vigorously combated these revolutionary movements and finally, when the revolutionists took the field in the summer of 1862 he sent a detachment of royal troops to disperse them. The Garibaldians were defeated at Aspromonte and the revolution was suppressed but, tempering his victory with mercy, the King decreed an amnesty to all the offenders in October.

In the first years of the Italian monarchy its recognition had been declined by some powers. The King however refused to enter into commercial treaties with those nations which refused recognition and this course led the Italians to give their sentiments to the changed order of things. Thus the states of the German Confederation, Mexico and Queen Isabella of Spain—the two last in 1861—finally sent ambassadors to Florence which had been made the new Italian capital, not however without the occurrence of scenes of bloodshed in Turin.

THE TURIN OUTRAGES OF 1864.

The year 1866 found Victor Emmanuel prepared to accept any chance which might enable him to extend his authority over Venetia or to Rome. When the French troops evacuated Rome at the close of 1865 and left that city to be defended by the papal forces and the policy of Victor Emmanuel the Italian King was bound to restrain all revolutionary enterprises against the authority of the pope. The conflict between Prussia and Austria in which Italy was by an awkward blunder of the Minister Ricasoli, allied with Prussia in the famous campaign of 1866 against Austria, and after the battle of Sadowa although his army had been defeated at Custozza and his fleet at Lissa by the Austrians he obtained the rights that Italy claimed. The whole of Venetia, the list of the Austro Italian possessions was ceded to the Emperor Napoleon at Paris and Queen Victoria at London, and was received by the populations of France and England with enthusiasm. Of his English visit it is recorded that while at Windsor he broke the heart of good Mrs. Thorn, the Queen's housekeeper, by smoking in his green silk bed at night. Two years later, when the influence of the clergy was pitted against the King's reform policy in the general elections of 1857, the latter triumphed, the King was sustained and the pledge of constitutional liberty for Piedmont was ratified.

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in peace, his people summarized his character, in the latter particular, in the malediction they conferred on him to wit, "*Il Re galantuomo!*"

The King was a passionate lover of the chase—hunting had indeed been prescribed as a necessity, since he was inclined to apoplexy—and without a his fondness for the sport increased. In a paper published only a few days ago, Miss Middy Morgan describes a visit in 1865 to the royal stables at Florence and the hunting lodge of San Rossore, close to Pisa in the centre of a magnificent preserve of all manner of game, from pheasants up to wild boars. Every day that could be spared from public affairs was spent at San Rossore where hunting was really hard work, the King being up at day break on foot with his gun or mounted on a clever Irish hunter; no matter what the weather, and never abandoning the field till night came on. Few were the sportsmen who could in dexterity or endurance rank with him. In the heats of summer the King took his way to Valdieri, in the mountains, for his favorite amusement of chamois hunting, in which he engaged in the most democratic manner, to the delight of the mountaineers whose rival in skill he was.—*N. Y. World.*

PIUS IX'S LOVE STORY.

From the manuscript of a forthcoming volume, the work of a pious Catholic lady, the daughter of one of the oldest Roman Catholic citizens of Baltimore, the late David Williamson, of Livingston Manor," the London correspondent of the Cincinnati *Inquirer* relates the only true love story of Pius IX. as related by the Baroness de Kinsky, the Holy Father's intimate friend. The young Count Giovanni Mastai Feretti, the story says, a relative of Sinigaglia, met and loved at Rome Camilla Devoti, the lovely and accomplished daughter of a noble Italy, and to whom he had been especially drawn by her marvellous singing. They read the poets together, and it came to pass that the young nobleman desired to be married, to be more worthy or his promised bride. He applied to Prince Barberini, Commander of the Papal Body Guard, and was repulsed some what rudely with the remark that his slender frame was better fitted for a priest's garb than a dragoon's. The young Count appealed to the Pope, Pius VIII., was promoted his commission and spent a happy evening with Camilla. The next day he did not visit her, nor the next. Weeks passed and he seemed to have disappeared from the city. She fell sick of fever at last, and on that same day the Count knelt before the Pope and told his story. He had been stricken with epilepsy in the street. With the disease bringing over him he feared not marry. The Holy Father bade him interpret the affliction as a rebuke of the will of God directing his thought heavenward and his life to the Church. He sent the young Count pilgrim to the shrine of Loretto to learn God's will. Nothing came to Camilla, and after some time, time knowing that a hidden yet good and proper reason for this seeming desertion must exist and yielding to the earnest persuasions of her mother, she consented to listen to the solicitations of the Baron Cammarini who sought her hand in marriage. Instantly her pride on that score was strong, while Camilla and her mother were sitting in the parlor in quiet and comfortable home talking over the past and the future events the door was suddenly opened and the figure of a young man clad in black stood before them. The mother and Camilla, taking up immediately recognized the form as that of Count Mastai and gave vent of joy but Camilla heard perfectly still and motionless. She was pale and cold, but she quickly discerned that he was dressed in the garb of a priest. She knew saw that all was ended between them. The Signora Devoti not noticing in the darkness of the evening the priestly robes, he was asked quickly, "Where have you been all this time, and why have you so deserted us?" "I have been on a pilgrimage to Loretto" he replied "and subsequently to the Convent of St. Agnes where I am admitted a novitiate." The Baroness Devoti turned to Camilla and said: "Tell her now" she said, "it was at that the Holy Father imposed upon me that I was to keep silence and give no explanation of my actions, that at the time I suffered, but God, in his great mercy ordained it all wisely and well for our good, and that Pius IX., who no longer indulges in earthly illusions, sends her this last message as a memory of the happy evenings spent with Camilla Devoti."

Mr. John G. Whittier, thanking the Florence Congregational Sunday school for its celebration of his birthday, says: "You do not err in your hope that I may shall receive this token of your good will. No difference of religious sentiment can make me insensible to words of kindness. In the long struggle of the past I have learned to value above all the orthodoxy of a good and true life. I have learned in the same school with John Woolman to feel no narrowness as to sects and opinions, to use my own words in this connection, which you will pardon me for quoting:

"The truth's worst foe is he who claims
To act as God's avenger
And dreams, beyond his sentry beat,
The crystal walls to range
Who sets for heresy his traps
Of verbal quirk and quibble,
And weeds the garden of the Lord
With Satan's borrowed dibble!"

Of course every earnest man would rejoice to have all men share the faith and hope which sustain and comfort himself, but this feeling should be always tempered by the "charity which suffereth long and is kind!"

Speaker Randall is greatly praised because on New Year's Day his loaded table had on it nothing intoxicating. He believes that total abstinence is right.

IN SICKNESS.

The Sabbath bells ring out upon the air,
Calling God's children to his house of prayer,
Could I but rise and go and meet him there!

I hear the people pass along the street,
Their rustling garments and their church-yard feet
Make happy music—murmurous, low and sweet.

The breath of summer flowers is in my room,—
The scent of lilies and the faint perfume
Of crimson pinks and roses all abloom.

And through my open window comes a rush
Of sudden music—some melodious thrush
Pouring his heart out in one happy gush!

But lovelier far than any bird of spring,
Sweeter than summer's sweetest blossoming
Thy sacred litanies, O my God and King!

Better one day thy holy courts within
Than me a thousand spent in mirth and sin
Open his gates that I may enter in!

Nay, these preventing bonds this lifted rod
These long, long hours of anguish let me shed!
Let me be still and know that thou art God.

Oh teach me what no slow I am to learn—
That where time spins for thy pleasure yearn,
Christ is thy temple, there thine altar burn!

Believing this these narrow walls expand
Into cathedral glory vast and grand
With vaulted dome and arches overspanned.

Yet need I even then your fingers of love?
Dear Lord but enter in and dwell with me
Then shall my heart with shrine and temple be.

CHINESE MAXIMS AND PROVERBS.

The finest roads do not go far.

He is the rich who want most things.

Raillery is the lightning of calumny.

Ceremony is the smoke of friendship.

Great souls have wills, others only feeble wishes.

Attention to small things is the economy of virtue.

All is lost when the people fear death less than poverty.

He who lets things be given to him is not good

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—Samuel Lewis, editor of *The Indianapolis Sentinel*, is dead.

—Queen Victoria has expressed sympathy for the Sultan.

—Secretary Sherman has called for popular subscriptions to the 4 per cent loan.

—The bill for the new territory of Oklahoma will probably be reported to the House in a couple of weeks from the Indians.

—The New Hampshire Democrats have nominated Frank W. McKean of Nashua for Governor on a hard money State platform.

—In an exchange from Virginia, Miss Mary and Miss Sakey Hunting have thought fit to elope with Lindsey Hardy, twelve miles from Harrisonburg, Tuesday night. The ladies went into the river. Hunting parents were pacified and about forty wounded.

—According to estimates made in the Agricultural Department about $700 000 will be required to pay the troops called on to suppress the riots and other expenses arising from them. Between $70 000 and $80 000 have already been paid the military, three months' pay and rations in the Department of the Ohio amounting to $67 000, transportation $7 000, rations $121 000, Quartermaster's stores $6 000 and medical stores $3 000.

—Some hunters out Walch Hill way, when the bay had been blown by a sudden veer of the wind and a violent northeaster, set their fox hounds on the island. Hounds are said to be very fond of water, but they were forced to swim over a half mile of sand and gravel before they could get at the water. The fox, with the hounds in close pursuit, ran to the end of the island, plunged into the water, swam over the channel, six inches deep at the highest tide, and escaped.

—American farmers are putting the screws to the English system of dressing with the hatchet, and are making a clean sweep of dressing, dressing, dressing,

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W. B. BAKER, Postmaster

SORTS.

—Rev. Dr Canfield preached at St James' church last Sunday

—Arthur Dorrance and his family will leave Bristol early, short time for California

—There will be no meeting of the Temperance Lyceum, to-morrow evening, on account of Mr Powell's return the evening following.

—Aaron M Powell lectures at the Methodist Church, on Saturday evening There should be a good turnout as the lecture is free to all who choose to attend

—Mrs Harper and her daughter residing on Wood street, narrowly escaped suffocation during Saturday night, by gas from the stove or heater the pipes of which became disconnected

—A house and two lots of land in Bristol borough belonging to Michael McLaughlin, have been exchanged for the farm of John Fish, of Bristol township, through the agency of E G Harrison & Son

—Tuesday morning, the water pipe under the canal the laying of which had been just finished was discovered to be imperfectly put down as a leak was found of so serious a nature that yesterday morning the earth had to be dug away from on the side of the canal to remedy the defect

—A meeting of the borough election officers of Bristol, it is thought that the whole force of the organization of a warm fire school district were not among the number. The people appear to be very general upraising on opinion of such persons as at which the number persons who are strongly in favor of it

—Bristol Improvement Company's annual report should be read by every one interested in the prosperity of Bristol It is a most valuable exhibit not only to the stockholders of the company, but to those whose welfare depends upon the success of the enterprise in the borough and as the manufacturing interests of Bristol are certainly the most important source of revenue to the borough and its inhabitants, the success of these interests must necessarily be the common property

—A meeting of the borough council was held Monday evening all the members were present The Street Committee reported that receiver for the brick had been placed from Mill to Hay street, the sewer in the bottom of the canal, the work being pushed to completion, the Finance Committee were instructed to pay some accounts, and to hold the lease of the Bridge as they may deem necessary The following bills were passed D H Purcell, $9 00, S S Rue, $11 00, M S Bond, $5 00 J Neal Brown $7 00 William Young, $2 50, W I Bell, $8 15 Jesse O Thomas, $50 10, I O H Rhines, $5, Lewis S Silbert $2 J W Arbit, $2 00, Anthony Thomp, $15, George Farley $10 The request for a lamp on Buckley street, at the Red Bridge was referred to the Street Committee There became five candidates for the position of policeman made vacant by the resignation of Anthony The ballot was held and Charles Saxton elected on the first ballot An ordinance was passed to prevent corner lounging and loafing It provides that persons congregating on the street to the disturbance of business, or to violate the laws, or to be a nuisance to the citizens of the borough shall be liable to arrest, and upon conviction to pay a fine of $5 or suffer imprisonment in the town lock up

—The temperance meetings held at Bristol on Friday evening was very large, the room being full to overflowing The exercises were shorter than usual owing to several persons whose names were on the programme failing to appear Miss Annie W Pray gave a recitation, Miss Sallie M Hawk read an anonymous essay entitled Cobweb, of which the following is an abstract A cobweb is a beautiful thing when taken by itself It hangs glistening in the sunlight, on trees, bushes and shrubs Then we take it from its surroundings and call it beautiful But when honest Mr Spider sees fit to weave his web over our farm we call it a nuisance, we sweep it away, we destroy it, we curse the spider, we say it is a nuisance, we say it spoils our flowers and hinders the growth of our crops. Our intellectual minds are said to be the ruling power of our existence This fact is most fearfully to be considered, this glorious intellect given us by God for our satisfaction and contentment, and to give honor to whom honor is due Now the man who does not possess an all thinness is slightly cobwebbed He should not let his brains get be slimmed, lest in such a man, he has staunch morals, it is where is his practicability? He addresses to our home customs and ways with words of truth Why doesn't he strike at this cobweb and help us and progress? The answer is it is a giant cobweb Why? Then of all the evil objects the hang on this present generation is the one woven by the giant Intemperance When we know the many temptations to drinking, round the paths of our youth, we feel thankful we are not drunkards and wonder that so many escape Let those who have been given to this vice, and who hope for better things, rend asunder this giant cobweb with all the powers they own Because there are lots of others who will help Let all who can influence others, do it, and if girls have no brothers to help in the right way, I see no harm if they can influence some one else's brother to enlist in the cause of Temperance Each one has an influence which it is his or her duty to find out and exercise After the reading of the essay Richard E Shaw sang a solo, "Out of Work," Miss Emma Swain read an interesting selection, and Violet Pary and Lilly Akers sang, after which Mr Swain delivered a short address, urging more earnest efforts upon the part of the friends of temperance, then as the end of the programme was reached and it was yet quite early any person who felt inclined was allowed an opportunity of speaking Sarah H. Pierce made a few remarks, and William S Minster after some persuasion consented to give what he termed an oration which would have been very appropriate as a Fourth of July oration, but seemed rather too fervid in its patriotism for this season of the year. Nobody else having anything to say on the subject of temperance, the meeting dispersed.

Bristol Institute.

There were no mysterious curtains to arouse curiosity at the meeting of the Institute on Tuesday evening, and after the reading of the minutes and the admission of new members, and some other preliminary business, literary exercise were begun with a piano duo by Misses Patty and Annie Thomas, which was followed by an essay by Joshua Pierce, upon Capital and Labor in which he took the view that the arm of the government should be to educate the masses, and as intemperance is the great barrier to enlightenment and education, it should be banished from the land that the recent labor riots were the result of rum, that the railroad men themselves never intended to go so far as to destroy the property they fed them but that the vicious and dangerous classes of society saw their opportunity and came forward to pillage and destroy, making what should have been simply a local contest between employer and employee a disorder which the authorities were for days powerless to quell, being a contest between whiskey and not on the one hand and sobriety and government on the other He thought that there was no conflict between capital and labor, but that they were dependent upon each other, and that strikes were always disastrous to those who made them and that they ought to be prohibited by law in as far as they forbade those who wished to work from doing so A workman should and does have the privilege of ceasing to labor if he chooses, but should not have the power individually or through an organization to prohibit those who wished to work from so doing, and as strikes were almost always directly the result of whiskey drinking, it should be the object to abolish the evil the encouragement of which by the government was nursing the serpent which would eventually destroy it In conclusion a happy time generally was prophesied when sobriety and intelligence would rule the land Miss Lizzie Long then read a poem entitled "The Last Banquet," depicting a scene in the French Revolution, and Miss Annie W Pray sang, Bolton's "Switchers" and was followed by Mrs H W Tomson in a recitation of the poem "The Burial of Moses" An original poem, by Samuel Swain followed, previous to the reading of which, Mr Swain took occasion to thank Joshua Pierce for the sentiments expressed in his essay, and then introduced Miss Lenna Swain who read the poem, of which the following is a copy

THE WINTER

The hunt is the employed in not be use
Frequent and such unusual desires
And sweep the wind ill He who is sounds
To drive overcoats below the smile
And plays The day our blessings come
In the cheer of the fireside or in warmth
For happy times The pleasures to be warm
Not comes service to our needs in gloom
Improvement depending danger easily brave
Where one the waves with during life in hand
To the best dithand to dom from the stormy coasts
With some at buoy not joy Who also the up
Or the union belge or glazier or the chemist glass
Build simply ation from the ambient blue —
Let hand Her
Where it damns threaten and keep suns
Just
In subtlinis indulgences wh and health charm
Or dangerous crowns to light
The minus strength
Build and Lists the will fitted his to use,
Not stress use at and to use all wealth
Soft on the ocean flour the cold warm
Resistance a wallet hour the island bloom
Yet hunt I ever shaver!
The high thanked
Indian his times unlocked shelf,
I am to go wan to his and only do in
He known to tours it equal to tired
Not largers operation I and the cold light
Total can gas dim flies His are to feel to use
Or not we and to to must and a bless
Be comes has to longer cold light every hour
Thus now all fits in Wis lom supplies
Knots in the rides the the Discovery
Cold shipped shoulder to the wet, not be us
And plus is well were than to ever solution
He times the within so of indulgence sources
To the and indulgent the spirit we fill

The means Day
Light in lessons places where Jude
Those kindly culture friends which be disciple
Across rough barriers and to higher aims,
And soothe in sequent minds The sons with
Their change warm or light—the dance of stars
Wheeler and the firmament—the earth
Well's into Night and meets the well me Down
With dewy feet, and Nature's ministry
Steals exam to his soul No more let then
That prudent wisdom commit all his care
And hate and every some, mes soul then shards
Of poison from his lips!
Yet here we there
Bright and deeds of the sin of the time
Illumine star sponge Then bravery nurse!
In time state township has come quite I self
At challenge of death when star want arms were asked
To save imperilled life The mystic sign
That makes strangers kin and warmly holds
Unknown the heart fraternal love
Direct in the breasts as well Storm tell we may
And gather up on tobes in the of soil
Against the hitherto poor, still in their school
Of hardship light we learn What woo crome
And secular Deeatly to divine
Measures the greatness of the human soul
How often where the bolt of lowd sounds,
Or pours the storm of wan, stout hearts are
Heard find in whenever midnts answered call,
And girls shrieks to the night and true
The success then occurred at the close of such an evening, The Last Rose of Summer," was performed by William H Grundy accompanied by Mrs Joshua Pierce upon the piano Violin music is peculiarly the most expressive of any and the masterly manner in which Mr Grundy rendered this selection, elicited the hearty applause of the entire audience, a compliment of no mean significance Mrs Thomas S Wood followed with an anonymous contribution entitled "The True Dedication" A reading by Mrs Conard, was then intended, but as on a former occasion, she had provided a substitute in the person of Hiram Reed, Esq, of Philadelphia, who came forward and read Robert Browning's poem "How we Rode," at the conclusion of which, after the applause had subsided, Mr Wickham suggested that she had read for Mrs Conard, Mr Reed should read another selection on his own account, which he consented to by selecting a short poem of a humorous character called "Autumn Love" When this was finished Mr Grundy was asked to play upon the opposition that Mrs Conard would be called upon for a contribution next evening and he willing to respond and upon the suggestion that Mr Reed could not then be present to the right he should read another piece while the audience Mr Reed seemingly could not resist such importunity and performing his concluding selection with a pertinent remark regarding a hard shell Baptist minister read the pathetic poem "The Blacksmith's Story," by Frank Olive, for which the concluding number of the programme, a piano solo by Miss Lucy Longcroft was given and after some discussion and some motions regarding the report of the at Committee a motion to adjourn was made and the two votes upon the President decided it carried and he allowed no appeal from his decision The meeting adjourned A vote of thanks was tendered Mr Reed for his kindness in favoring the Institute with his admirable readings

—The political cauldron begins already to boil and candidates are springing up all around There is said to be a prospect of four tickets being put in the field the Republican, Democratic, Labor Reform and the People's Ticket, the latter to be in the interest of the Water Company For Constable, William Louderbough, George Bailey and Stephen Hibbs are mentioned in Republican circles Constable Yardley is willing to accept a renomination and George E. Pettit would not likely be averse to accepting the nomination if offered by my combination likely to be successful

—List of letters remaining in the Post Office, Wednesday evening, January 16th, 1878 Israel Allen, Richard Baskell, Mrs Tillie Booz, Capt. John Morris, Bridget McFadden, Miss Emma Smith, Isaac Wilson

—Bishop Stevens confirmed four persons at St Luke's church, Newtown, on Sunday last. He visited Yardleyville in the afternoon.

Notes and Comments.

The Institute had quite a lively session.

Uncle Lew is waiting for another cold snap.

Elias K Carr and wife have arrived in Illinois

The Methodist Sunday school has a new library

Why not tableaux at the Temperance lyceum?

Canned lobster does not agree with empty pocket books

The proposed loan art exhibition does not get on swimmingly

Fritz Hildebrant and family are located at Leavenworth City, Kansas

This is the last year of Rev. J S Cook's term as pastor of the M E Church

Glass ball shooting has engaged the attention of our sportsmen the past week

On dit an entertainment of an interesting character for the benefit of the poor, is near at hand

The *Intelligencer* says "Bristol calls in vain for a new hall" 'Tis true, and pity 'tis its time"

Bucks county, and Bristol in particular, was largely represented at the inauguration of Gen McClellan

Mr Burke should look to his laurels A writer in this week's *Democrat* champions the case of John Fitch

Dowles town is trying to get up a centennial celebration When is it Bristol's turn to celebrate its bicentennial

There was no local option petition circulated in this neighborhood for presentation to the legislature, now in session

A prominent agriculturist in this vicinity is said by a newspaper correspondent to excel in the cultivation of posts G A R he means.

Ship building does not prosper in our midst, the ship railway at the Hollow has been taken up by Capt W J Jones, who is using the material to build a scow

Though St Valentine's day is the next day we celebrate, don't be in a hurry to get your valentine ready For there's many a slip 'twixt January and February

According to the *Enterprise* the Edwin Forrest was first in the ice near Trenton, a late as last Friday And yet she was taken to Philadelphia six days before that period Try again

Three fifths of the stock of the Farmers' National Bank is owned by women They repose the utmost confidence in the stronger sex for they have never asked for representation in the board

On the Jury list, from Bristol, for the February term of Court, the names of James Drury, Robert Holt and Albert M Stout appear, and for the March special term, the names of Charles York, George Silbert, and Henry M Wright

Valerie says that the dismissals of Berlin have been occupied lately in analyzing the waters of the wine merchants and no little excitement has been caused by the discovery that the contents of one of the largest houses dealing in wines for medicinal purposes consisted entirely of artificially prepared mixtures of spirits and such substitutes, flavored with various herbs

Langhorne Notes.

We have still down to the new and attractive entertainments and feel not so much outside of the interest we felt that can be sent to Philadelphia and have no answer the same day

Miss Mellie, who has been conducting the evening meetings at the Methodist church terminated until Monday Here, as at other places, her efforts were quite successful

Miss Ella Pyne, whom you Bristolians had the pleasure of listening to recently, delivered her interesting and able lecture "We Twelve" before the "Jackson," on Monday evening, It was the earnest and best interspersed with humor and at times considerably surcastic

D J Rue and Samuel Lansdale have purchased property in Churchville on the Newtown Railroad, with the intention of going into the coal and lumber business

Edward Connell intends moving to Hulmeville in the Spring

Frederick Morrill assignee of Oscar Jacoby, sold the store property on Maple Avenue to Cornelius Dunlap for $910

How had an agent of the S P C A here we would ask as was the case last week witness the harrowing spectacle of riding upon the streets which has thus far

The Cheerios' who this week gave us its regular meeting for the pleasure of hearing Miss Hodges lecture, promises to excel it programme next Wednesday evening,

C K Dyer will remove the first of April to the house now occupied by Richard Stackhouse,

William Robbins of this place has an eagle measuring eight feet and eight inches from the tip of one wing to the other It was captured some weeks ago in Hibbs' woods, in Middletown township

The trial of B Curtis Worthington vs Marcus Worthington, to show cause why the defendant should not be adjudged an habitual drunkard was begun last Thursday week and adjourned until the 22nd inst

We heard nothing more of the Banks Mitchell libel suit Wonder if it is "off"

The firm of Kirk & Ridge will be dissolved by the withdrawal of Mr Ridge

Charles Comly is back again and has succeeded Moses Johnson in the barber business

Morrisville Notes.

On Sunday night, the 6th inst, Mr Rolland pastor of the Presbyterian Church delivered a special sermon to the "Reform Club," who had previously been invited to attend The church was well filled by an attentive audience

Most of the people in the vicinity who are the owners of ice houses were busy engaged in storing away for future use the necessary article—ice—during the early part of last week. Large quantities of ice from last year still remain in the large houses along the banks of the river, and the Delaware Ice Company, put up by means of steam, several hundred tons one day last week

The lyceum on Saturday night, the 12th inst, was well attended, notwithstanding a great many of the citizens went over to Taylor Hall to witness the performance of "Uncle Tom's Cabin"

A lad of about thirteen years, from this place, went to Trenton to witness the inauguration of McClellan He bought a prize package while front and hung Some man standing by asked permission to see it the lad handed him the ring which he did not return The boy said nothing, but coolly followed him until he saw a policeman, and had him arrested The lad when asked his name, gave that of Smith, from Penns Manor, quite different from his right name We judge he did this so that the man could not have an opportunity of revenge in the future The man instead of the lad was the loser, for it cost him about four dollars

David W Kelley has exchanged the three story brick house on the main street, leading to the railroad bridge, for a property in Trenton, belonging to Mr Howell In consequence of which Mr Wm C Howell intends moving to the house, now occupied by Mr S Lisburn, Mr James Howell, Sr, to the one occupied by Mr D P Stackhouse, and, it is said, the third one, occupied by Mr J Hibbs, is to be rented to Messrs. Howell's mills: Mr D. P Stackhouse intends moving to where Mr Howell, Sr, lives Messrs. Eastburn and Hibbs have not yet decided where they will move From present indications, the 1st of April will bring many changes

—A "last call" is made by the Assessor, Charles S Bailey, to delinquent tax payers, and all borough and school taxes remaining unpaid the first day of February, will be collected as the law directs, and persons whose tax is not paid before the election, cannot vote in February.

—Russia is ready to submit peace terms to the Ottoman envoys

—Senator Morrissey is reported dying.

New Hope and Vicinity.

Protracted meetings are being held in the New Hope M. E church

Extra meetings are being held in the Thompson memorial church during this week.

Michael McDonald, a well known citizen of New Hope, died at his residence on Saturday of typhoid fever

Among the lectures announced for the coming local Institute at New Hope, is Dr. Warren of Philadelphia

The Rev Mr Goldy of Philadelphia, preached in the New Hope M. E Church on last Sunday morning and evening

The Eagle boys are making great preparations for their coming concert We have not a doubt that it will be a success in every particular

Miss Mary Miller has opened a private school in Matthews' Hall, Church St, Lambertville. At present she has about thirty five scholars.

Of late we have heard nothing of the Delaware Iron Co We hope the young men who so energetically pushed the thing at first have not let their ardor cool

Owing to the meetings held in the different churches last week in consequence of its being the week of prayer, the Lambertville Reform Club adjourned over until next Friday.

A few days ago a valued mule belonging to James Kelly of New Hope, died of colic The animal had been brought home from its winter quarters to haul ice. It was valued at about $150

New Hope ice men who filled their ice houses during the cold snap, consider themselves fortunate and may be known by their smiling countenance wherever the "remarkable winter" is mentioned

Mr Robert E Boyd of Solebury has been confined to the house for some time, in consequence of a sprained ankle. The accident occurred as the Major was alighting from a carriage We are happy however to say that at present the member is doing well.

At the annual meeting of the board of directors of the Lambertville National Bank, held Tuesday the 8th inst, the following officers were elected President, James D Stryker, Cashier, J B Smith; Directors, James D. Stryker, Charles A Skillman, A H Holcombe, Jeremiah Hyldrist, James Smith, Henry Matthews, A C, Burt D C Holcombe, John S Williams, and Charles Phillips A dividend of six per cent was declared

Newportville and Vicinity.

On last Sunday evening the Rev O R Cook preached a most excellent sermon in the Neshaminy M E Church Mr Cook has done a great deal of good in this community He has had nearly one hundred conversions in his charge this winter The Sunday School connected with this Church, is in a flourishing condition one grand feature is the young men's Bible class, under the instruction of Mrs Cook This class contains about twenty five young men, from the age of eighteen to twenty five The school is under the supervision of Chas McCorkle of this place

Dr Pattison, of New York is holding a series of lectures in Union Hall, entitled "How to Live" The Doctor comes well commended and his lectures are instructive as well as interesting and if our citizens that have heard him are so well pleased that they express a desire to attend the entire course, which will continue the rest of the week

An entertainment for the benefit of the Neshaminy Sunday School, will shortly be announced

Our old citizens last week were greatly pained at the sudden death of Mr Jacob Hoffman, which took place at his residence on Sunday, he required his wife to apply some of the hoarded Hoffman ointment, but in mistake she got a bottle of cough mixture, and began to bathe the sufferers neck with it The mistake was not discovered until it was about to be repeated

The Social Union Club will give an entertainment in Union Hall on the 22d of February

EDITOR GAZETTE —If my memory was good of past events that have occurred in the many years I have lived in Bristol and I had the talent to write, I would like to sketch some of the interesting scenes and the character of the different persons I have become acquainted with and in whom I have seen so much to instruct me and to admire Like a prince in dreams the picture of the past unroll before me sometimes the scenes of pleasure intermingling with those I love and esteem and the lessons of deep humility to my heart, that I have not more fully improved the opportunities of instruction, of example set and of precept given by those I have met with The temperance lyceum we have we seasons of deep instruction to me when I attend them The one held last week was interesting in many particulars I see the meeting so well attended crowded, so we who came late could hardly get in through the crowd at the door is just inside they were standing One feature was very pleasant to me to see so many children present, a row of boys who came forward and took their seats on the platform, facing the assembly, elicited much interest, their open, innocent countenances were pleasant to look upon, and I was glad An interested sister addressed them in words of counsel and encouragement to keep the pledge, to abstain from intoxicating drinks and to speak the truth always She made a beautiful allusion to one of their classmates and playfellows who had lately passed away from this state of existence to a higher life, of his example in strictly keeping his pledge, and always speaking the truth, a bright example, and worthy of imitation The circumstance of his parents losing all their children with diphtheria, in a short time, has touched our hearts with tender, earnest sympathy for their great trial in parting with those loved ones Valuable, good children they were, in well they performed the duties assigned them while sojourning with their parents, and this episode of allusion to this afflicted family, comes in, on reviewing the array of the pleasant countenances of this company of boys at the temperance lyceum The concern which filled our hearts, and welled up again and again, reminded me of the written expressions—

"Oh little feet Oh little feet! who though long years
Must wander on through hopes and fears,
I mourn to the way side inn
Where toil will cease and rest begin,
And weary thinking of your home"

If I could write the annals of Bristol and of the valuable, interesting persons I have made the acquaintance of, the intense interest I have felt in opportunities of improvement, the temperance progress in this place would be an important feature I hope some one will R

—At the annual election held on Tuesday, the 5th, the following persons were elected Directors of First National Bank of Newtown Jesse Leedom, John L Atkinson, Jonathan W. Gillam Lewis Buckman, Niles Martin, Edward Atkinson, Isaiah W Gerhart, Wilson D Large and James C Toney. The retiring directors were Silas Cary, Henry C Parry and Samuel Atkinson

—The annual election of the Newtown Banking Company was held Tuesday, the 8th inst. Messrs Geo A Jenks, Moses H Vanhorn, Geo F Merrick, Edwin E Smith, W Godey Ellis and Samuel C Cadwallader, were elected Directors There was no change made in the officers of the bank

—This morning William Heckman, residing on a farm near Bristol, fell dead at his barn door. The cause of his sudden death is unknown, probably heart disease Mr. Heckman is a brother-in law of Ebenezer Chase of this borough.

GRAHAM GEMS —One pint sour milk, one teaspoonful soda, a little salt, graham flour to make a moderately stiff batter, stir briskly for five minutes, drop into hot gem bakers and bake about half an hour.

The Bristol Improvement Company.

The second annual meeting was held on Tuesday, January 15th, at the office of the company, in the Livingston Mills. The meeting was called to order by Mr Joshua Pierce, the President—and Mr Charles E Scheide was elected secretary. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved

The annual report was read by the secretary as follows

BRISTOL, January 15th, 1878.

To the Stockholders of the Bristol Improvement Company.

Your directors in presenting their first annual report refer with satisfaction to the year's work as seeming to have accomplished as far as facilities would allow, the object for which the company was incorporated

At the first meeting and organization held in January last, the property owned by the company consisted of the iron foundry, which cost $5,000 and the incompleted worsted mill, which had then cost $98,000 Since then an addition has been made to the worsted mill property by the purchase of 50 feet of ground fronting Canal street, and the erection of a substantial two story stone building 37 by 85 feet, in such a manner that it can be extended and used as a separate establishment, should it ever be needed as such This addition has been rented to and is occupied by Messrs Grundy Bros and Campion Besides this, the property has been graded, enclosed, and put in complete order

An improvement has also been effected in the foundry property by removing the frame structure which formerly united the two ends,—or the moulding room—and replacing it with a stone building of the substantial character usual with this company, 26 feet wider, thus giving increased facilities and adding materially to the value of the property, beside fencing and otherwise improving it, at an additional outlay of $1,000

On the 20th of May the company purchased a lot of ground facing Canal street above Lafayette, 150 feet wide, and running back to the railroad, and began the erection of a two-story stone mill, which with its appliances for extinguishing fire, its fencing, &c, complete, was rented to Messrs L M Hunsel & Co, of Philadelphia, for the manufacture of furniture trimmings, and occupied by them August 1st.

On the 30th of May, with a view to the further protection of the company's property from fire, the Board voted to lay a six inch water pipe connecting the steam fire pumps of the several mills, with several plugs or hose connections in and between them, so that in case water was needed for fire extinguishment at either mill, the others could immediately respond The pipe was successfully laid and tested, and is now ready for use

A small building has also been erected for the storage of the company's tools and implements

These various enterprises have been completed at a cost involving the expenditure of the entire amount of the capital stock is provided in the charter This disposition of the capital stock however will not necessarily limit the company's growth The capital can lawfully be increased up to an amount not exceeding $600 000 and if in the opinion of the Board any increase be necessary, as would seem probable, the stockholders will be confidently asked to sanction it Already the Board have cognizance of more than one enterprise looking hitherward as a place of location and it is the policy of this company to further every such design in the power to provide manufacturing firms, on the utmost liberal terms The properties owned by the company are all occupied, and occupied by the lessees in the prosecution of successful business employing in the aggregate about 550 hands Messrs Grundy, Bros & Campion, employing over 200, Messrs L M Hunsel & Co 100 and Messrs Hankins & Pray 20 This accession to the industrial establishments of Bristol, gave a great impetus to building and other business operations in the town, and the past year though noted for universal depression in every part of the country has been one of unexampled prosperity in the history of Bristol and augurs well for its future growth and prosperity, when added by the good time coming so confidently expected

The company now owns the following unencumbered real estate

THE BRISTOL WORSTED MILLS—which embrace a lot at the corner of Canal street and Jefferson avenue 276 by 300 feet, with a two story stone building 59 by 224 feet and two story stone wing, 28 by 100 feet, a two story stone building, 37 by 85 feet, a one story stone building 25 by 60 feet, and a stable There is on this property 150 horse power engine and boilers, a steam pump, sprinklers and other appliances for protection against fire Total cost $44 075 50 Leased to Messrs Grundy Bros & Campion at 10 per cent of its cost

THE KEYSTONE MILL—comprises a lot on Canal street above Lafayette, 150 to 185 feet, on which is erected a two story stone building, 50 by 100 feet, with steam pump, sprinklers, and other appliances for extinguishing fire Total cost, $9 167 87 Leased to Messrs L M Hunsel & Co, at 10 per cent of its cost

The above two properties are insured upon a mutual system which has proved to be no more expensive than an average dwelling

THE BRISTOL IRON FOUNDRY—comprises a lot at the corner of Canal and Dorrance streets, 100 by 110 feet, a two story stone warehouse and one-story stone foundry building Total cost, $6,016 87 Leased to Messrs Hankins & Pray at about 9½ per cent of its cost

RECAPITULATION

ASSETS

Bristol Worsted Mills—rented for $4 400	$44 075 50
Keystone Mill, " " 900	9 167 87
Bristol Iron Foundry, " " 640	6 016 87
Main Line of Water Pipe	413 50
Warehouse Tools and Implements	311 78
Cash on hand as per Treasurer's Report	615 92
	$1,150 14

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	$60,000 00
Due to Joshua Pierce	1,144 92
Surplus	615 92
	$61 750 14

It will thus be seen that the company, without inconvenience, can readily continue its quarterly dividends at the rate of 7 per cent per annum, and discharge its liabilities out of the surplus of the next six months All of which is respectfully submitted

By order of the Board.

JOSHUA PIERCE President

On motion the report was accepted and ordered placed on record

The Treasurer's report to the Board was read to the meeting, which was as follows

C W. Pierce, Jr, Treas in account with the Bristol Improvement Company

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Rent received from Thomas B Hankins	$225 00
" " " Hankins & Pray	72 50
" " " Grundy Bros & Campion	4,008 33
" " " L M Hunsel & Co	581 25
	$4 887 08

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Commonwealth Fees on Charter	$55 00
Attorney Fees on Charter	50 00
Recording Duplicate of Charter at Doylestown	12 25
Advertising Application for Charter	3 00
Bonus to Commonwealth on Capital Stock	150 00
School and County Taxes	141 10
Drawing and Recording Deed	13 75
Stationery, advertising and books	65 15
Insurance	285 70
Dividend No 1 for the quarter ending March 31st, 1877	734 29
Dividend No 2 for the quarter ending June 30th, 1877	735 00
Dividend No 3 for the quarter ending September 30th 1877	899 46
Dividend No 4 for the quarter ending December 31st, 1877	1 050 00
Balance on hand	615 92
	$4,887 08

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. W. PIERCE, JR, Treasurer,
Bristol Improvement Company

January 15th, 1878

On motion, Mr. Joseph Pierce was appointed teller of the election, and being duly affirmed—Dr C N Pence moved that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for the old Board of five Directors—which was done, and the teller announced the result as follows Joshua Pence, Robert W. Rogers, William H Grundy, Charles E. Scheide, and Charles W. Pence, Jr.

On motion, Mr Joshua Pence was nominated for President, Mr. Charles E Scheide was nominated for Secretary, and Mr. Charles W Pence, Jr., was nominated for Treasurer.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot which was done, and the Teller announced the result as follows President—Joshua Pence, Secretary—Charles E Scheide; Treasurer—Charles W Pence, Jr.

DIPHTHERIA.

EDITOR GAZETTE —A valuable paper in relation to this malignant disease was lately submitted to the New Haven Board of Health That Board deemed it of so much importance to the welfare of the community as to order it to be published in pamphlet form and circulated gratuitously throughout the city As this disease is now prevailing to an alarming extent in our community, a knowledge of the facts contained in the paper referred to may be of great merit to many families, I am, therefore, induced to make a brief abstract of it. Diphtheria is pronounced both contagious and infectious, and pre-eminently one of the class of filth diseases, prevailing in its more malignant form where corruption most exists

The means of protection therefore obviously lie in avoidance of exposure to its presence and in careful attention to cleanliness

Absolute isolation of the sick—the rigid purity of surroundings, aided by disinfection, when required, would probably exterminate the disease

The veteran sanitarian, Dr L M Snow, of Providence, says "That where there is abundant sunlight, dryness, cleanliness and pure air, diphtheria cannot prevail" The same conditions will protect, almost as effectually, from most other dangerous diseases Such being truth, neither individuals nor committees can afford to ignore the fact that they are in a great degree responsible for their own health

When a case occurs in any family the sick should be placed in a room apart from the other inmates of the house and should be nursed, as far as possible by one person only The disinfection of the room should be thorough

All woolen garments, carpet, &c, used about the patient, and in the room, should be often changed and cleansed by being put into hot water

Visitors should be warned of the presence of a contagious disease, and children should not be admitted to the house

Disinfectants should be used freely—those which destroy bad odors without causing others are best, such as solutions of the nitrate of lead and chloride of zinc

Children certainly, and in most cases adults, should not attend a funeral from a house in which death from diphtheria has occurred But with suitable precautions, it is not necessary that the burial should be strictly private, provided that the corpse be not in any way exposed

These precautions concern the danger of infection, but the continued prevalence of the disease in any community is evidence of impure and infectious surroundings and of sources of sickness

Therefore, look well to the *sanitary* Abolish filth, remove dampness, and all sources of foul air, especially from living and sleeping rooms Disinfect all suspected places in yards and neglected corners

The following disinfectant is both very cheap and efficient Take of copperas (sulphate of iron) five pounds and dissolve in three gallons of water

To every family give strict attention to these precautions and the best results may be looked for P

[Correspondence Bucks County Gazette]

LETTER FROM CANADA.

DUNS, Ont, Jan 10th, 1878

EDITOR GAZETTE —The cold weather which had been prevailing here throughout the month of December, left us at the beginning of the new year, and since then we have had very cold weather and some snow, which the Canadians have been using to the last of their ability to get some of their winter work done, which the "mild blockade" of December prevented them from doing Yesterday the weather became mild and to day we are having a warm rain from the southeast which is melting the snow very fast, and the indications are that we are doomed to another season of mud and bad roads

During the recent cold weather the farmers have been busy threshing out their corn and a large quantity of clover seed is raised throughout Ontario, and is bringing a fair price

But very little corn is planted as it takes too much work to cure fodder and sometimes the cold weather comes early and catches it before it has time to open Instead of corn they raise peas as they take but little work and for feeding to the cattle, the answer the same purpose as corn

The majority of the farm horses are small but there are some right good bodies that have been built of late years

The barns are large and generally well filled The horses, cows, and other stock are always stabled and well protected from the cold storms which so often sweep over this country during the winter months

The farming implements are well cared for and not left laying in the field where last used as your Western correspondent says is the case in Kansas Of course there are exceptions to the above rule, but in the majority of cases you will find them well cared for, and prepared for next summer's work

Occasionally one sees a painted house, and sometimes one of brick, but the rest of the buildings have never seen paint or whitewash and there are no whitewashed fences, as there are in Bucks county This absence of paint and whitewash gives the country a bleak aspect especially in the winter season

The fence most in use here is the old fashioned zigzag stake fence The gardens are mostly fenced with the post fence, but there is no fence around the dwellings Most of the farmers have young apple orchards upon them, and some seasons large crops of apples are taken from them The apple crop last fall was not very good, and apples are bringing seventy cents a bushel at the stores in Dunnville Grapes, sour cherries, and raspberries, are the principal small fruits that are cultivated here Nearly every farmer has his vineyard, some large, some small The currant bushes were nearly all destroyed a few years ago by the worms, and in their stead you see raspberry bushes cultivated in the gardens

The Dominion Government, this winter, is engaged in the work of enlarging the Welland Canal, at Allanburg, which, once completed, will render the canal one of the grandest works of engineering skill of past or modern times Messrs Page and Monroe the chief engineers, have displayed ability in this work, that stamps them as men skilled in their profession The execution of this stupendous work is entrusted to contractors approved of by the Government J S Esson, Esq, of Toronto, has charge of the stone work, and the wood work is under the judicious management of Mr Lock, of Thorold, a man of almost life long experience in public works

There are over 600 men employed on the works—by no means a bad thing for this winter Dwellings, workshops, etc, have been erected in close proximity to the works, and a siding has been laid connecting the works with the Welland Railway.

The water has been drawn from the canal to render work more practicable, and will be kept at Lake Erie Level, until the opening of navigation next spring B W Y

☞If you select good and healthy food for your family, you should also look to the welfare of your Baby. For all troubles of early Childhood, nothing is better than Dr Bull's Baby Syrup. 25 cents a bottle.

☞For cheap hats go to Tyler's. Next door to the Post Office.

☞For cheap clothing go to Tylers. Next door to the Post Office.

—There were sold under foreclosure in the United States in 1877, 54 railroads representing a mileage of 9,877 miles and an investment of $198,084 400 of which $79,045 700 was capital stock and $119 938,700 were bonds and indebtedness Besides the disposal of these roads under the hammer, the sale was ordered by the courts of 16 roads with 2 388 miles of tracks and $205 755, 00 invested in capital stock, bonds and debts Foreclosure proceedings were also ordered against 41 other roads representing 5 500 miles and $520 681,900 were invested During 1876 and 1877 together not there have been sold 52 roads with a mileage of nearly 8 000 miles and representing an investment of $400 000,000 This is a sad tale of the railroad industry and investment in the country The capital stock in all these cases has been wiped out and generally everything else but the first mortgages, and the depreciation loss by the sales made during the past two years, and by those which are yet to come under proceeding already begun, will be about $500 000 000 The country has run wild on the matter of railroad building and if the panic of 1873 had not come as it did the frenzy would have gone on indefinitely

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

LANCASTER, Jan 16, 1878—LEAF TOBACCO EDITOR GAZETTE —After the close last night Pennsylvania Railroad sold down on the street to 42½, and Reading to a wonderful extent This morning however the feeling was better and the market opened firm at the decline advancing somewhat during the day and finally closing strongly at not the top prices of the day The cool weather improved business with seaboard and in New York and a report that the articles on the free list in the new tariff bill had been signed by all the contracting parties in Pennsylvania Rather let there was nothing new in the situation the stocks selling up with the trunk lines to stockholders New York

Pennsylvania R R opened at 42¾ and sold up to 42¾ closing 42½

Reading started at 29¼ and went up to 29¾ closing 29½

Lehigh Valley sold at 41, closing 41 bid

Coal opened at 12 and went up to 12¼ and 12 closing 12 bid

Money in New York loose at 2 per cent

Yours truly MARTIN A SMITH

Philad

COUNTRY AND SHORE.

BY ELIZABETH STUART PHELPS

Calm in the shelter of the heavy day
I sit me down and think Ah! me,
Too calm the metal purpose of the sky,
Too calm the color of the vacant street,
And leaves that blazed and fell beneath the feet,
That fell because they blazed, that fell and gave no cry,
And mist that captured all the meadows silently.

Oh! wild upon the bosom of the beach
The happy waves throb fast, throb fast!
The sailor's children shout across the sand,
Nor boat, nor wave, nor bird can rest him still,
With all the world the wind will have his will
The mighty breakers struggle to the longing land,
And, maniac for joy, the gull screams down the blast

Oh heart! that buffeted upon thyself
As tides tear down on tides! Were mine
To spare the e somewhat of the inland life,
To spend upon thee something of the pause
In which I wait, have souls no subtle laws
By which thou, too, shouldst render back to me the self!
The struggle and the thrill of struggling, that are thine

GUERNSEY COWS.

A correspondent of the *London Agricultural Gazette*, in the Island of Guernsey, writes to that journal as follows

A good deal of discussion has taken place in the *Agricultural Gazette* on the relative merits of the Short-Horn and Ayrshire cows as profitable milkers The Channel Island breeds are, on the other hand, generally classed as more ornamental than useful, chiefly so in giving a superior color to butter This however fails to do them justice Undoubtedly a great many inferior animals are annually exported from the Islands, and being purchased without any inquiry as to that milk giving capacity, individual or hereditary, it is no great wonder that disappointment ensues, and the breed is discredited

But a fair comparison between selected animals on both sides would show that the Guernsey gives a quantity not much less than the Short-Horn or Ayrshire, while the quality is greatly superior One thing, however, must be premised, that the Guernsey is a steady milker all through the year, it being difficult and some times impossible to dry an old cow before calving She will not, therefore, equal other cows in a rush of milk just after calving But though this quality may be inconvenient to those who keep cows for the purpose of cheese-making, it is an advantage to those who keep them either for selling the milk or making butter. Only it is necessary, in order to make a fair comparison, to take the produce for a whole year, instead of comparing the yield during the Summer months only

It is also possible that the Guernsey breed may suffer in English estimation from the prevailing habit of classing all Channel Island cows as "Alderneys" How it came to pass that the smallest of the three principal islands has been taken in England as the designation of the different breeds of all, I cannot say But the fact is, that there are three distinct breeds—Jersey, the Guernsey and the Alderney Of these the first, being much the most numerous, is best known in England, and in appearance is the most elegant, but it is not that which is probably the best as a milk producer The Guernsey is a heavier breed, and more profitable alike at the pail and for fattening, fat beasts reaching frequently a dead weight of 1,000 lbs These two breeds are kept scrupulously distinct, each island being persuaded of the superiority of its own and forbidding the importation of breeding animals from the sister island, or from any other country. The Alderney breed most resembles the Jersey, but as Alderney is under the local jurisdiction of Guernsey, the cows of the two latter islands are permitted to be interchanged

In order to show what may reasonably be expected of good Guernsey cows, I will state the produce (in imperial gallons), for the year 1870 of the whole of my own small herd It consists of seven animals of pure Guernsey breed, and one pure Alderney Of the Guernsey three had only had their first calf, and were between two and three years old (one indeed only calved in March), therefore they had not as yet come to their best, while another cow was fourteen old The total amount given was 5,000 gallons bring an average of 666 gallons per cow The three best averaged during the three preceding years, 795 gallons per annum for each cow With regard to butter, I cannot give the total produce, as the most of the milk was sold, but the average produce from what was churned was in Winter, one pound of fresh butter from 18 pounds (almost exactly 7 quarts) of milk, and in Summer one pound 26 1-2 pounds or 8 8-4 quarts of milk The average is therefore rather more than one pound from 8 quarts, and this would represent an annual produce of butter of 313 pounds from the whole number, or of 376 pounds from the three best, which is almost exactly one pound a day

ROOSTING PLACES —Far less attention is paid to providing suitable roosting places for fowls and chicks than is given to a host of other and less important matters connected with poultry and poultry houses We have seen neat, tasty poultry houses, which appeared to an outside view, to be the most comfortable places fowls could wish for, yet an inspection of the inside revealed the roosts from five to six feet high, far too high for heavy fowls In "yeoldé homes," where old-fashioned fowls were the go, it did well enough to let them roost high, especially as the hen house was not carefully closed at night to prevent the visits of predatory rats, weasels and other animals with a natural relish for chickens in the rough Now we have heavier fowls are more particular in regard to the condition of the plumage, and take more pains with them so these aerial roosting places can readily be dispensed with, a substitute being readily found in the now popular roosting benches, which can be made with but a small outlay of time, labor and money, and are movable, permitting the fowls to move them wherever necessary These benches can be made from twelve to sixteen inches high, and of 2x1 inch slats There is no regular length for these benches, from five to six feet being a very convenient size, though if the compartment is not too wide they can be made to conform to the width of the house, being careful to make them set true to the floor, with wide-spread legs Well fastened on —*Poultry Journal*

THE PERCHERON —Kate Field writes from France to the *Herald* about a breed of horses called by that name —"What has struck me in Havre and its neighboring stock-raising country is the great size and endurance of the truck horse called Percheron—a cross between the Arabian and the original Norman draught horse The Percheron weighs from one to three thousand pounds and has the comparative action of the Arabian thoroughbred with the comparative strength of the elephant A Percheron will haul with ease twenty five bales of American cotton which is equal two loads of cotton hauled in New York by two horses In fact, one Percheron is equal to four American truck horses, and why our farmers do not wake up to a realizing sense of their deficiencies in this respect is not a little surprising So far we seem to have had but two ideas in the matter of horses—the production of trotting and of race horses Unlike our ordinary custom, we have thought more of pleasure than of business We have bred in models where we have not the turf in view, whereas in Europe the classes of horses are kept entirely extinct In our great country there is room for all classes, and common sense dictates that we should have as fine dray horses as trotters and racers The West is particularly in need of enduring work horses, and the farmers who are sufficiently enterprising, to import a few Percherons will thank the *Herald* for having made the suggestion."

IMPORTANCE OF PROTECTING MANURE —That stable manure contains a large amount of ammonia is a fact perceptible to any one who has ever entered an apartment of the kind in the early morning when the confined gas rushed outside as the door is opened No element is perhaps more decidedly operative in securing the development of vegetation than ammonia, and none is more volatile in its nature It gives to rain water its power over vegetable life Therefore, to economise and husband the agent of such inestimable value, and prevent its escape into the atmosphere instead of into the soil, the manure heap should be well sheltered from the elements, as we have often recommended before, and we hope that the majority of experienced and successful farmers need no hints on this subject —*Germantown Telegraph*

CARE OF THE STOCK —Rules for health for animals, are very simple and plain, and need strict observance at this season. Observe perfect cleanliness in stable, yard, barn yard, and all their surroundings Keep the skin clean, use only clean water for drinking, keep the body and the lodging places dry, and not too warm, let them breathe only pure air, eat only nutritious and digestible food, and not too much of that, keep them quiet, and do not suffer them to be irritated, avoid exposure to cold, wet storms, and if this cannot be helped dry the skin, using considerable friction, with a coarse cloth, then cover with a blanket, but not before, and give a warm drink as soon as possible after it. When the system is feverish from cold, give a saline, cooling laxative.

A cloth made from the down of all kinds of domestic fowls and sea birds is now quite the rage in Paris. Eight hundred grammes of down suffice for a square metre of cloth, which is five times as light in weight, and thrice as warm, as woollen cloth. This cloth is easily felted, takes every color, and is water-proof. The demand for this elegant fabric is in excess of the supply

MADRID WASHERWOMEN.

The washerwomen are divided into three distinct grades, viz 1 The *ama*, or mistress 2 The *ayudanta* or forewoman. 3 The *lavandera* or washerwoman. The food of these poor women next calls for attention. At early morning, her babe slung upon her back, or two tiny children trotting at her side, the *lavandera* tramps down to the river side, she either deposits her babe in the *asilo* above described, or takes it, if in Summer, to the river with her, to roll about upon the bank in some extemporized cradle She takes her *copda*, or liqueur glass full of *aguardiente* at the wayside stall, and crumbles a *panal* or *azucarillo* into a tumbler of water in Summer—In Winter her cup of black coffee and a drain of *aguardiente cuvado*—as a preventive (and a much-needed one) against cough and cold. She then works on until 10 or 11 A M, when a bell rings, and a batch of eight or ten of these women repair to the wooden shed of the *ama* to take breakfast, and, at 4 dinner, for which thirty minutes are allowed The sight of these bronzed, hard working toilers of the river at their meals is most picturesque; each brings her own "*olla*," or long roll of coarse bread, and her *navaja*, or clasp knife and in Summer, fruit, or salad in the rough—radishes, grapes, raw tomatoes, lettuce, onions, and the like The salad, and potatoes cooked in oil, with *pimiento molido*, or red pepper, forms the meat provided by the *ama*, and each takes her wooden platter full of the savory but rancid and strong smelling mess, the gay banter the coarse and semi indecent—yet in their mouths and their moral code not indecent—circle freely from lip to lip, were be to the passing stranger— Come and eat with us "Are you married or not?" "Look at my silver comb" "What can you want with the *lavan broas?*" "Are you a writer for the press? *Ave Maria!* how pale you look, I would not have you for a husband, I'd sooner be a single woman, and wash!" The picture presented of rude health bound to beauty, sturdy forms, variety of costume, the amount eaten, and the *zest* with which it is eaten, the strange costumes—all make a picture that passes and defies description Each one then drinks a tumbler of red wine, a few light their cigarettes, and then the guitar begins! tinkle, the young women to dance—the thirty minutes are over, and the boydens repair to the river side till the next meal After the linen is washed it is taken to the "boiling-house" hard by, each *ama* pays for one "chest" in this place 10 reals per week with gratuities to the servants The linen is then taken up to private houses in Madrid for the "starching" For miles stretch the forests of "drying-grounds," called "*tendideros*" with their short drying poles, called *cancros*, from their being tied crosswise, and for one part of "streets," or "*alles*," of these *cancros* the *ama* pays to the owner from 8 to 10 reals per diem "And now," said the *ama*, "would you like to see my beautiful *ayudanta?*" and, suiting the action to the word, she brought forward her own daughter a handsome brown faced, sturdy Navarrese girl of some three and twenty Summers with a bright, impudent face, and well turned limbs, with hands and feet small and well shaped as those of a model, in brown dress tucked up to her knees, sandalled feet, and old black felt man's hat, bent like a penthouse over her forehead Showing her bare arms, with many a scar, the girl said, "Look here, this is not so pleasant in the Winter see what child's play, what *fria en el tiempo*" (Winter's fruit) showing her scars. The delicate Andalusian women, shivering at a breath of cold hardly figure in the ranks of the Madrid washerwomen, they being chiefly Castilians, Manchegrans, Catalans and Navarrese

The linen is brought from Madrid in linen sacks, piled upon mule cart or bullock drawn, or hand truck The cooking huts are called "*cabanas*," literally, shepherds' huts Of these poor, rude toilers of the river, there is little else to say Probably no nation in the world wears so much clean linen as the Spanish and hence the number of them employed The married and widow women, of ages varying from eighteen to forty, and is a rule, although roughly virtuous they are fearfully moral very indelicate in jest and gesture, but many of them pure in heart and body They live in single rooms in the lowest outskirts of the town, paying for each room from $2 to $5 per month They rarely go to the *misa* of the church, for the church accommodation of Madrid is wretched, but they saunter into the chapel on the grounds, cross themselves, kneel for a few minutes and breathe—let us hope—a silent prayer They are very reticent—very terribly neglected They can read or write They mix but little with other neighbors forming a class of their own—a large and unknown and most interesting one Possibly some hundred to three hundred are members of one or other of the five scanty Protestant chapels, placed in the lowest quarter of Madrid Then well is hard their pleasures are few When the fair of Saint Isidro commences in May these *lavanderas* may be seen and recognized, as they saunter about among the booths, pass into the chapel and pay their farthing to kiss the brazen image of their hard working patron saint, whose example, in the heats of Summer or the snows of Winter they follow as well —*Temple Bar*

THAT LUNCH TO MISS KELLOGG

She Did Sing When Asked and Didn't Wear "A Common Stuff Dress"

There has been a story going the rounds of the press which as most of such stories do, emanated in the West and this time has, I believe been told by the Chicago correspondent of the Cincinnati *Enquirer* It was in short, that Miss Kellogg had been invited out to a lunch party in Chicago and had there behaved in a very rude manner That she came late, refused to partake of the lunch declined to sing, and, excited to jealousy by the applause awarded the amateurs who kindly displayed their vocal talent, she dashed at the piano, and —to use the elegant language of the correspondent—"did the operatic," while the gallant guests folded their hands behind them. But What enraged the correspondent more than anything else, and on which she laid the most stress was that the prima donna wore a "common stuff dress" The story is, to begin with, just nine years old, but it is taked up every year by the relentless personal fiend When Miss Kellogg returned to her first visit to Europe and was concertizing under the management of Max Strakosch, she visited Chicago, among other cities There she met a gentleman who was an old friend of her father, and whom she had known, more or less, all her life He was living in fine style in Chicago, and when the distinguished daughter of his old friend came to his city he determined to entertain her He asked her if he might give a reception in her honor, and she said she would prefer something less formal and suggested an early lunch party The suggestion was acted upon, and when the morning of the day rolled around Miss Kellogg, awoke with a terrible headache, which confined her to her bed At about 1 o'clock her friend drove up in his style Mrs Kellogg told him the state of the case, and while he sympathized with the sufferer he felt very keenly disappointed "Tell Miss Kellogg," he said, "that she need not stay more than fifteen minutes, if she will only show herself there that's all I'll ask." Mrs Kellogg repeated the message to her daughter, and she, appreciating her friend's embarrassment, said, that, if as she felt, she would go to please him So she arose and dressed herself putting on a brand new black silk and velvet dress that she had just bought at Worth's, and a new Paris hat, she and her mother returned with the gentleman Her dress was just such as she had worn at similar gatherings in London though it might not have been the thing in Chicago—and was not in all probability—as on arriving at her friend's house, she found most of the guests in evening toilet, although it was a morning entertainment. When lunch was announced she sat at the table and went through the form of eating, the fact being out of the power of one feeling as badly as she did The host and hostess and the guests were all very sympathetic although they did ask her to sing She complied when most singers would have refused, point blank and soon after the song returned to the hotel, her friends expressing themselves as very appreciative of the effort she had made in their behalf The next day the above alluded to story appeared in a Chicago paper Of course Miss Kellogg was indignant, but her indignation was mild compared to that of her host He said that a woman belonging to one of the Chicago papers had begged him for an invitation to the lunch He told her that it was a perfectly private affair and not for the press, she said that she understood that of course, so he let her come and like many men who have put their trust in women, was deceived. He was mortified to the core and wanted to publish a counter statement, but Miss Kellogg said that it was not worth while, so he refrained And it would not have been worth while if the story did not rise, phœnix like, every year, and flap its unpleasant way through the press When I first read the story I said a woman wrote that, I will wager my pen, for I know so well, and say it with sorrow, there is nothing so venomous in all this world as woman's inhumanity to woman

Miss Francis Power Cobbe asks *The London Spectator* to reprint from *The Times* a short paragraph mentioning the facts of several horrible wife-murders and pertinently asks with whom lies the guilt of these never-ceasing, ever-multiplying English "atrocities." Then she adds: "If we, the women of England, possessed constitutional rights, the very first exercise of our power of political pressure would undoubtedly be to compel the attention of our representatives in the Legislature to the prevention of these crimes of wife-beating and wife-murder. Can you, men of England, wholly acquit your consciences, while you lie our hands, and never lift your own?"

ODDS AND ENDS.

Habit, with its iron sinews, clasps and leads us day by day —*Lamartine*

Mr Longfellow is said to have liked much Professor Caskie Harrison's metrical translation of a portion of the "Odes of Horace" The old poet says that it has "the true Horatian flavor"

Robert Browning, Matthew Arnold, Robert Lowe, and Professor Tyndall all declined the Rectorship of St Andrews University Mr. Gladstone says of his election to the Rectorship of Glasgow University, that personally, he regards it as a great compliment paid to one of small desert or capacity for service, but regarded as a triumph of healthy principles and opinions he likes it exceedingly

The heart can put on charms which no beauty of known things nor imagination of the unknown, can aspire to emulate Virtue shines in native colors, purer and brighter than pearl or diamond or prism can reflect Arabian gardens in their bloom can exhale no such sweetness as charity diffuses Beneficence is godlike, and he who does most good to his fellowmen is the master of masters and has learned the art of arts —*Horace Mann*

It is related as actually true, that a young lady, recently walking in the country lanes near Tennyson's home, met a gentleman who at her approach deliberately took out a handkerchief and spread it over his face Having had no intention of scaring the stranger she unveiled as the evident measure of defence and hurried past not without trepidation, but the daughter of Eve, of course, turned round before she was out of sight, and beheld Mr Tennyson going on his way unveiled

Miss Edith Longfellow, second daughter of the poet (soon to be married to Mr Richard H Dana, son of Richard H Dana, Jr), is a lady of 25 of medium height, rather slight in form and her dignified head is crowned with a wealth of really golden hair—has such as poets are wont to rave over and fashionable dames to look upon with envy Her affianced is a rising young lawyer of twenty-six, the third of the name now living He is rather tall, fine-looking, and a Harvard man, of course

John Bright wrote lately a note in which occurred this passage If children at school can be made to understand how it is just and noble to be humane even to what we term inferior animals, it will do much to give them a higher character and tone through life The note is nothing meaner than barbarous and cruel treatment of the dumb creatures who cannot answer us or resent the misery which is so often needlessly inflicted upon them

Webster's opinion of Byron, conveyed in a private letter, has lately been made public property for the first time It was no gentle opinion The brilliant American says of the great poet "I have tried hard to find something in him to like, besides his genius and wit, but there is no other likeable quality about him He was an incarnation of demonism If Milton was alive to recast certain prominent characters in his great epic, he could establish them with new traits without violating probability"

Divorce does not exist in France, but there is what is called *separation de corps*, of this the Marquise de Caux availed himself In the report of the Keeper of the Seals to Marshal MuMahon, it is stated that in 1876 three thousand nine hundred and forty-six *separations de corps* cases, of which two thousand nine hundred and ninety seven only were judged Two thousand five hundred and eighty five of these were heard on the demand of the husbands, and four hundred and twelve on the part of the wives What conclusions are we to draw from this? That the men are more virtuous, or that the ladies are more forgiving and more credulous and more easily misled by their husbands?

Mr Wilkie Collins is reported to have written one third of his story of "The Woman in White" before he could get a title for his work After racking his brains in vain, he betook himself in despair to Broadstairs He walked and sucked for hours on the cliffs, but no title came At last, as the sun went down he threw himself on the grass and looked crossly at the North Foreland Lighthouse Savagely biting the end of his last cigar, he said aloud to the building, standing stiffly and coldly in the evening light "You are ugly and stiff and awkward you know you are, as still and weird as any white woman,—white woman —Woman in White! The title, by Jove" And the book was named

Professor Moritz Thausing has just had the good fortune to acquire, for the Albertina Collection at Vienna, a drawing which is of small and unpretending aspect, but of the very first importance in the history of art This is no larger than Michael Angelo's rough sketch for his competition design of the "Soldiers Surprised Bathing" The composition is slightly outlined with the pen upon a small sheet containing one or two other sketches, the subjects of the latter bear their names scrawled beneath them in Michael Angelo's hand writing and the whole sheet is of unquestionable authenticity Professor Thausing is about to publish in an early number of the Kunstchronik an elaborate account of the sketch in question

The clever Bishop of Manchester—who was one of the British Commission that came over here twelve years ago to examine our schools—has lately been giving it as his opinion that the American elementary schools attempt to teach too much Every knowable and teachable thing under the sun was crowded into the curriculum, he said, and when he expressed doubts whether Euclid could be mastered in six months, and whether the same period was sufficient to dispose of other subjects it was admitted that it was too short a time The result was that there was no solid instruction and it was an instrument of mental discipline, that farrago of multifarious, and he might say omniscious learning was a great delusion and a profound snare. To learn a few things well and thoroughly was, he was quite sure, the right method of disciplining the mind

The picturesque California levels in the smallest kind of side show A house was recently moved from one end of Napa to the other, a portion of the frame being sawn off and left behind for the family to occupy temporarily Across the exposed front of this shell were stretched several sheets, and behind the curtain the family lived, moved and had their domestic being When the lamp was lighted, and the family sat down to supper, a crowd gathered in the sidewalk and remained there until there was darkness within It was a most interesting series of shadow pictures The potatoes in them passed into the mouths looked on the scene like pumpkins pitchforked into bay-mows until the spectators and folks were enlarged so as to represent base ball clubs and shillelahs The sons and daughters of toil finished their supper and went to bed, utterly unconscious that they had been illustrating Bridgedinnag for the benefit of their neighbors

Mr Gladstone has just been challenged to a trial of skill in felling trees by a stout Derby shire timber feller Mr Gladstone replied that he regarded the challenge as a great compliment, "but," he added, "I at once give in I never had pretensions to excellence, and if I had them, by this time, from age and other causes they would have been lost" The fellow challenger was lately written by Mr Gladstone to a Sheffield firm, which forwarded to him "one of their original American patent axes, the blade of polished steel and the handle of hickory "Gentlemen I am very glad you have added it as useful article, the American axe, to the list of our home productions, and I thank you for favoring me with a specimen which seems, as much trial as I have made to possess all the merits of the original I find it necessary to study efficiency in proportion and weight and it is under this issue that I think the American axe comes out well especially for soft or fine grained woods The handle is, I think, excellent, but I always wish it were cut straight across at the end at right angles to its direction or axis I remain, gentlemen, your faithful servant, W E Gladstone December 13"

Here is a pathetic story which appears to be told in good faith concerning Mr William Black, the novelist While staying at Oban, last summer, he felt inclined for a swim one morning, and selecting the quietest nook he could find along the beach, he laid his clothes carefully under a rock, and proceeded to enjoy his sea bath Presently, a young lady with one of his own novels in hand, came walking along the beach, and absorbed and unconscious, sat herself down close by the unseen garments Poor Mr William Black did not know what to do He made a noise with the water, bobbed up and down and tried by every means in his power to indicate that he was in the vicinity, and not in full dress He was ashamed to stand up and shout, and hardly ventured, indeed to show more than the top of his head So absorbing, however, was his own story that he could not attract attention He had never before wished that his literary power was less, but at that moment his fondest hope was that he had written at least one dull chapter in his volume That wish became an inspiration, an ambition, a desire bent in agony, when presently there came along that way a short sighted sportsman carrying a gun, who seeing something strangely acting in the water near at hand, thought it must be game of some kind or other, and presented his gun to shoot Mr. Black could not stand this Forgetting the lady with one of his own novels in hand, he startled both her and the sportsman, as flinging himself bolt upright, he lifted his arms above his head, and cried with pathetic rapidity, "Pray don't shoot, please don't shoot! I'm a man! I'm a man!" The lady by the sea shore took the hint and disappeared.

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AT an election for Directors held this day the following persons were duly elected for the ensuing year Silas Brown Caleb N Taylor, Anthony Swain Pierson Mitchell, Edward Thomas, Charles Moon Louis A Hoguet Isaac Comly, Elwood Burton and at a subsequent meeting of the Board Caleb N Taylor was unanimously re-elected President CHARLES T IREDELL,
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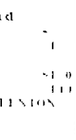

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